

In order to be responsive, Applicants hereby provisionally elect the compound "etoposide," with traversal. Claim 4 is already directed to a composition comprising etoposide.

Applicants traverse this restriction requirement, in that the compositions of the present invention are directed to the class of podophyllotoxin compounds in compositions. Applicants respectfully point out to the examiner that the search should be conducted using "podophyllotoxin" as the compound and should not be required to select a particular podophyllotoxin compound. Applicants request reconsideration of this species election.

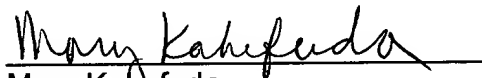
Further, upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant should be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141.

Applicants retain the right to petition from this restriction requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.144.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-made remarks be entered and made of record in the file history of the present application.

No fee is believed due with this response. However, if any fee is required please charge the Mathews, Collins, Shepherd & Gould, P.A. deposit account No. 13-2165.

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